



Obama to Rally at UMW



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By **JUSTIN TONEY**
News Editor

Last night, the presidential campaign for Barack Obama officiated rumors that Obama and his running mate Sen. Joe Biden will appear at the University of Mary Washington campus this Saturday.

The announcement came one day after a recent *Washington Post* poll said that of likely voting Virginians, 3 percent more would vote for Obama than his Republican opponent Sen. John McCain.

Bobby Whitthorne, spokesperson for the Obama Campaign in Virginia, said that Obama and Biden view the Commonwealth as a major focus in the race for presidency.

"They're trying to reach out to Virginia folks," he said. "Each vote counts here in Virginia, and they're trying to turn the state blue."

This Saturday will be Obama's fifth visit to the Commonwealth, and his first accompanied by Biden.

The decision to hold a rally at UMW

came from the central campaign center in Chicago on Tuesday afternoon.

When Obama representatives contacted Vice President of Administration and Finance Rick Hurley about coming to campus, Hurley said he responded, "Are you kidding me?"

The Chicago-based center also contacted Natalie Weiner, president of the UMW Young Democrats Club. "To use a Barack Obama term, I'm fired up and ready to go," Weiner said.

Hurley said the administration was thrilled after the arrangements were made official.

"What an experience for students and members of the community who want to participate," said Hurley. "What a way to get our name out onto the national scene."

Hurley said he would like to put the University's logo on the podium Obama will use to address the crowd. "They

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[Fredericksburg is] a battleground city in a battleground state.

—John Cross

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Saturday, Sept. 27
Ball Circle

Gates Open: 3 p.m.
Program Begins: 5:15 p.m.

MW Registers in Fredericksburg

By **HEATHER BRADY**
Assistant News Editor

Recent changes in the Virginia State Board of Elections' voter registration policies have led some UMW students to consider registering in Fredericksburg instead of their hometown.

Before Tuesday, Sept. 9, the Board's website asserted several incorrect and misleading statements that dealt with issues of dependency on parental income tax forms and issues of financial aid eligibility in the section advising students on voter registration.

Amidst a huge student voting drive in late August at Virginia Tech, the Electoral Board of Montgomery County, where the university is located, issued a news release in an attempt to clarify these statements.

The release stated that if students registered in their college town, they couldn't be claimed as a dependent on their parents' income tax returns and would lose their eligibility for residence-based scholarships in their home-



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Volunteer Lydia Graves Campaigns for Obama at UMW.

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School Tries to Keep it Cool

By **SARAH SMITH**
Staff Writer

Persistently malfunctioning air-conditioning systems in five academic buildings forced faculty and students to endure elevated temperatures this summer. With problems in both aging buildings like Monroe and newer ones like Combs, Facility Services has been kept busy this semester with repair work.

Older buildings, such as Monroe, Dupont, Pollard and Trinkle, require repeated attention for problems with their heating, ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) systems.

"Most of the equipment in Monroe dates to its last renovation in 1979. Like an older automobile, it will simple re-

quire more frequent repair until it is replaced when the building goes through a complete renovation," said Vice President of Facility Services John Wiltenmuth.

Until Monroe's reconstruction this coming spring, the building's HVAC problems will receive only temporary remedies. Faculty and students will have to wait until the renovation is complete to experience full relief.

Sociology and Anthropology Department Chair Margaret Huber stated it plainly: "The system we have in this building [Monroe] is not satisfactory."

Combs was also without air-conditioning earlier this year, although it is a

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UMW Bookstore Earns Over \$3 Mil.



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Senior Shannon Bostrom and Bookstore employee Carolyn Payton engage in a transaction.

By **JESS MASULLI**
Staff Writer

The UMW Bookstore's estimated revenue for this school year is over 3 million dollars, a large portion of that being from textbook sales.

The Bookstore's budget plan for the 2008-2009 fiscal year is estimated at \$3,150,000, according to Paul Mess-play, executive director of budget and financial analysis.

Once other costs, such as the cost of merchandise and operations, are subtracted, the total amount that goes to the University is \$410,644.

"As a self-operated bookstore, UMW is able to infuse this contribu-

tion directly back into the university," said Erma Baker, assistant vice president of business services.

New and used textbooks are about 70 percent of the Bookstore's sales, according to Baker.

Tristan Sonnett, a sophomore, has found that textbook prices are higher at the Bookstore compared to online, but he continues to use the Bookstore for convenience.

"I've looked into using online, but it seems handy at the Bookstore," Sonnett said. "It just angers me that they buy back books for so cheap at the end of the semester. We get ripped off."

Many students feel the same way as

Sonnett and use other textbook providers online.

For Virginia Osella, a sophomore and employee of the Bookstore, going to online sources has been beneficial for some of her costlier books, but she mostly buys from the Bookstore.

"Sometimes you can buy books cheaper online, but you run risks," Osella said. "They might not be delivered on time or come in good condition. The Bookstore guarantees that you are getting a good quality and can return easily."

The University has implemented

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Weekend Weather

From Weather.com



Friday

T-Showers

High: 73
Low: 63



Saturday

Showers

High: 76
Low: 63



Sunday

Thunderstorms

High: 81
Low: 60

Weekly Events

Disaster Relief Fundraiser at Maggie Moo's

Saturday Sept. 27
12-4 p.m.

Maggie Moo's in
Central Park
Sponsored by UMW
Disaster Relief Club

Cheap Seats

Friday- Sunday
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.
"Wanted" and
"Don't Mess with the
Zohan"



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Friday, Sept. 26
Shows at 8 p.m. and
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Tear Down that Wall



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After almost two years, the barrier wall in front of Lee Hall was removed last week by construction workers. As students get the first glimpses of a renovated Lee, they say goodbye to a veritable graffiti forum.

Alert System: This is a Test

By JESS MASULLI
Staff Writer

The \$300,000 area warning system was tested on Friday, Sept. 19. The seven loudspeaker stations, positioned all across the UMW and Stafford campuses, effectively projected a tone and verbal announcement.

The stations extend from George Washington Hall to Goolrick Gymnasium, plus one at the Battleground Athletic Complex and one on the Stafford campus. Two more towers are being added to the Apartments and on top of Jefferson Hall,

according to Teresa Mannix, the director of news and public information.

The stations, with four speakers each, cannot be heard indoors. Having the announcements inside is too expensive.

Executive Vice President Richard Hurley said having the announcements audible inside is too expensive. He has no exact estimate of the cost at this time.

"As one possible comparison, it cost \$600,000 to put the card access system on our residence hall doors," said Hurley. "You can imagine the cost if we attempted to wire every floor in every building with an alarm system."

This may cause problems if there were an emergency while students were in class. The Emergency Alert Notification System uses text messaging, the area warning system sirens, mass email, and website posting to

alert students of emergencies. A student in class may not have access to any of these alerts.

Hurley believes that someone in the building would have a cell phone on or be at the computer, and be able to alert others around the building.

"In this case, we are doing the best we can to put in place emergency notification systems that were previously not here," said Hurley.

For sophomore Matt Wallace, there is little concern about not knowing about an emergency.

"I keep my cell phone on during class," said Wallace. "I would hope though that the University would send someone around to notify classrooms."

Sophomore Megan McMillan agreed that students in classrooms would probably find out about the emergency in time.

"People are always glimpsing at their phones, even if they keep them on silent," McMillan said.

Although there is no indoor system, the outdoor system

worked as expected. The test was heard across campus at 11:55 a.m. so that students between classes and parents arriving on campus for family

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Outside The Fence



By HEATHER BRADY
Assistant Viewpoints Editor

Regional

On Tuesday, Sept. 23, Gov. Tim Kaine declared that Virginia is now in a recession after a meeting with his economic advisers, including several budget-writing legislators. He stated afterwards that Virginia could be facing a \$2 billion budget shortfall in the current biennium, or two-year period, which is a 6 percent drop from the previously expected revenues. Kaine and his economic advisers usually meet in November, but gathered two months earlier than usual to discuss the worsening economy and the revised economic forecast for the state. No budget cuts were made at the meeting. Kaine will wait until the first few days of October, when he will see revenue numbers from the first quarter of the fiscal year that began July 1. (*The Free Lance-Star*, Sept. 24; www.fred-ericksburg.com)

National

Congressional Democrats agreed to let the ban on offshore oil drilling expire on Tuesday. This decision will allow exploration just three miles off the Atlantic and Pacific coastlines unless the next president reinstates an executive branch order prohibiting it. Democrats say they gave in to avoid a showdown over the "continuing resolution," including a renewed drilling moratorium, which Congress must pass to fund the federal government through March. "This next election will decide what our drilling policy is going to be," said Rep. David R. Obey (D-Wis.), chairman of the Appropriations Committee. Sen. John McCain reversed his lengthy opposition to offshore drilling earlier this year, whereas Barack Obama has supported compromise efforts involving drilling limits from 50 to 100 miles offshore. (*The Washington Post*, Sept. 24; www.washingtonpost.com)

Global

Because of the recent devastation that Hurricane Gustav and Hurricane Ike wreaked on Cuba, even the most adamant Cuban exile groups and lobbyists are pushing the Bush Administration to end its long isolation of the country. For the first time in the 47-year-old U.S. trade embargo's history, Washington has offered direct aid to the island's Communist government amounting to \$6.3 million in building supplies and other necessities, and has authorized \$8 million in additional private donations through relief organizations. The Cuban government is refusing the help, preferring to rely on Russia and other sympathetic countries. (*The Washington Post*, Sept. 24; www.washingtonpost.com)

Who Said Books Can't Pay Bills?

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programs that try to keep prices low.

The amount of used books is almost 50 percent, way above the industry average of 18 percent, according to Kathy Underwood, Bookstore manager.

Faculty members are encouraged to use early textbook adoption, to choose paperback over hardback when available, and to limit the use of new editions in order to lower prices for students.

"Every spring, we have a textbook scholarship program," said Underwood. "If a faculty department is on time with textbook compliance, they receive \$2,500 to give to a student for textbook purchases."

Baker cites that UMW adheres to the Code of Virginia §23-4.3:1, a Virginia General Assembly policy for all educational institutions that lists the responsibilities of faculty and bookstores in keeping textbook prices low.

"UMW supports the Commonwealth of Virginia's efforts to minimize the cost of textbooks for students while maintaining the quality of education and academic freedom," said Baker.

Textbook sales are part of the Bookstore's revenues that go into the University's non-general fund, which consists of tuition, housing, dining, grants, the Bookstore, and other minor fees such as parking decals and library fines.

The Bookstore is considered an auxiliary operation, and is thus supported by the nongeneral funds.

"The University Bookstore is viewed as a business operation, similar to other auxiliary programs like student housing and dining programs," said Messplay. "As such, it does not receive any funding from the state general funds."

The nongeneral fund is used for repair and maintenance of nonacademic buildings and grounds, student life programs, judicial and community responsibility programs and activities,



Emily McAlpine/Bullet

intramural sports and recreational activities, the card access system, the UMW Health Center, residence hall furniture, work study, and debit card programs.

Bookstore revenue accounts for 5 percent of the \$64,900,000 non-general budget this year.

Viewpoints

Television Show Spinoffs Are Neither Effective nor Popular

A commercial for the movie "Elektra" aired on FX networks this morning. Consequently, that means it will be played every other day for the next two months.

It is odd that some directors, producers, writers, etc. can see a movie like to "Daredevil" and say to themselves, "Well, that movie was pretty terrible, but I bet if I take the lamest character in it and make a two hour movie about them, I can redeem it."

The answer to that is NO! Of course, we at *The Bulletin* are not omniscient, so I will say that there is seldom a spinoff that is even half as good as the original.

"No Mercy," "Get him a body bag," "Sweep the leg." There are countless one-liners that encompass the glory of "The Karate Kid" movies. Ralph Macchio burst in to puberty right before our eyes and took down the dreaded cobra kais. The second and third movies, though epic in their own ways, we could have done without. But when "The Next Karate Kid" came out it made the first three look like academy award winners.

"Friends," we all watched it for years and years and we wanted so badly to like NBC's "Joey." But unfortunately it fell short of even one of Matt LeBlanc's few starring film roles, "Ed."

Staff Editorial



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A movie in which he is out-acted and out-played by a baseball-playing monkey.

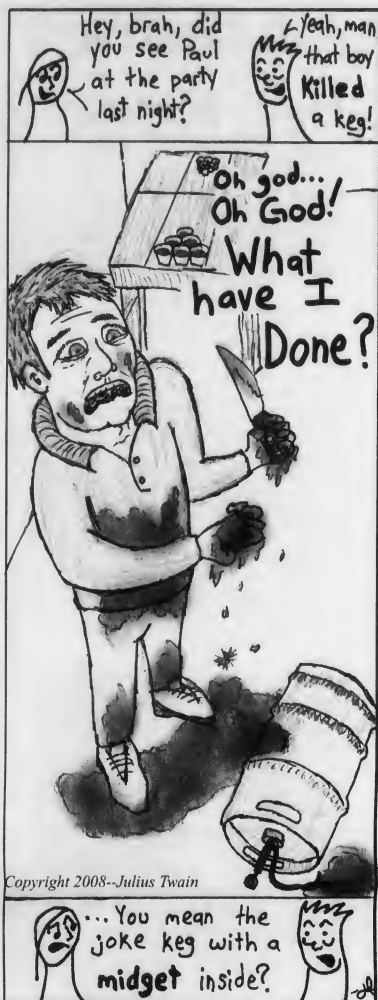
Who doesn't remember watching "Cheers" growing up? For 11 years, and still sometimes on Nick at

Nite, the show warmed our hearts and made us all laugh, whether it be ex-baseball player "Sam" striking out with the ladies, or Rhea Perlman's snarky comments. "Cheers" was just one of those shows where you "knew everybody's names" and you wanted to see what happened the next week.

Many of you may think that you liked the "Cheers" spinoff "Frasier," starring Kelsey Grammar. Unfortunately, you are wrong. That show was not funny, however it was so smart that you laughed because when the fake audience laughed you didn't want to be left out when you didn't understand what they were saying.

There are certain movies and TV shows that deserve a special commendation for writers and directors around the world telling themselves, "No, I'll pass," when it comes to a spinoff.

It's not like someone told themselves that they could pick up where Larry David left off and create a show called "Kramer" or "George." Some things are just left better in the past or at least in reruns.



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Positive Psych Can Benefit Students

BY JILLIAN BRODIE
Guest Columnist

In a culture that breeds anxiety and thrives on negativity, it is not hard to believe that all Americans, including college students, are feeling overwhelmed with the idea of surviving.

In a society where the trends are contained in VH1 specials on celebrity mug shots, peeping tom coverage, drugs busts and rehab it is difficult to portray positive psychology as sexy.

Yet contrary to the youth addicted to pessimism and self-destruction, there is some mainstream attention for positive psychology. With this attention comes harsh critiques, misinterpretations and

stigmas; as the revolution for living a balanced and positive life grows, there is a coup rising and ready to give everyone the 'oh so grand' argument for misery.

First coined and framed by Martin Seligman, a professor at the University of Pennsylvania, positive psychology is "the scientific study of the strengths and virtues that enable individuals and communities to thrive."

Positive psychology does not attempt to treat mental illness but is a reaction to the opposite spectrum of the human existence that is cliché and ever so annoying: why life is worth living.

Seligman had believed that since World War II, psychology only focused on problems and how to fix them. He believes we can build on the best things in life as well as repairing the worst. Now, there is not only a complete understanding and connection to treatment, but also a way to move on.

Positive psychology has goals: positive emotions, positive individual traits and positive institutions (which is also to say how to understand all emotions and differentiate between negative and positive).

Holly H. Schiffrin, a psychology professor at UMW said, "there is now a recognition that it is healthier as well as more cost effective to invest resources in keeping people healthy, both physically and mentally, rather than intervening after the fact."

So does one have to ignore human suffering to engage in positive psychology? It seems a convenient and blissfully ignorant lie.

One critic, Leah McLaren, a feature writer and columnist with *The Globe and Mail*, said, "what irritates me is the notion that point of view is all that matters... As if switching from the proverbial glass is half empty to one that is half full, we

could actually change the world."

In order to explain her undying efforts against positive psychology, Barbara Held, a professor of psychology at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Me., cited a study by a University of Texas psychologist, who found that depressed patients who vent in journals heal much faster than those who "steamrolled it over with a mantra of pep."

But Held does not understand that positive psychology embraces modern tactics to define and explicate feelings. She uses the phrase "a mantra of pep" as if to diminish the efforts of positive psychology in the quest for happiness as an association with unintelligence.

Many professors at the UMW, in all majors, are actually integrating certain techniques of positive psychology into the curriculum. Schiffrin teaches a positive psychology senior seminar and also has, for the past three years, supervised research teams on or related to the subject.

Associate Professor of Art History Joseph Dreiss also uses the practice of mindful meditation or contemplative practice to study art.

"I am interested in introducing students to the idea of contemplative practice as an approach to the study of art... to augment but certainly not replace, traditional art history methods," Dreiss said.

Mindful meditation is the awareness of one's own thoughts and actions—the contemplative practice and control of the mind. By using mindful meditation within the curriculum, students are not only active in the course and content, but also may find positive effects on other parts of their lives.

It seems as if the craze and quest for a better way to live is catching on with college students. Harvard's most popular class is Tal Ben-Shahar's positive psychology course, yoga classes are full on college campuses and students and professors are discussing positive psychological tactics within their curriculum.

Yet optimists' and pessimists' battles continues, extremely polarized and filled with poisonous biases. One can make the choice: mire in depression, anxiety, and negativity or to learn to accept those feelings and thoughts as passing, never denying them in the least. We may not be able to control anything, but we have the power to control our state of mind. It never hurts to feel not only a bit of joy, but also the health benefits of life with little or no stress.



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Viewpoints

Got Game? Or Just Nose Game

Social interaction fascinates me. Here we all are as individuals in our own stories starring us, bouncing between other stars in their own shows, trying to understand what constitutes a friend, a significant other, an enemy.

In many instances there is little problem with the interaction between people; you say something and someone responds because of it.

But in other instances there are such deep miscommunications and misconceptions that it's a wonder we don't kill each other. I often can't help but stand back and watch what happens between people with fascination.

With all of the discontinuity we share between one another I have to wonder what it is that creates attraction between two people.

Sure, there's looks, personality, talent, financial gain, etc. But even before that happens, before you say anything to someone, there always seems to be a voice in the back of your head telling you whether or not this person is a potential mate.

Sometimes the voice may surprise you. You come across this guy/gal who in your books is the anti-type of what you look for in a person. And yet there is something drawing you to him/her, something that can't quite be explained.

The culprit? Pheromones.

Apparently we have a lot less control over who we are attracted to than we think. Some nasal receptors near the front of the nose pick up a strong dose of pheromones and enact a reaction in the *hypothalamus* (cortex area) of the brain, the very place where emotions are connected to muddle with our good senses.

So more or less, pheromones are subconsciously detected and elicit an internal sexual response. Men and women each have their own type of pheromones used to attract the other sex. For homosexuals, however, it has been shown that pheromones from the same sex produce greater arousal.

The power of pheromones is great as they are

not only used for attracting a mate but have also been used to lure pests into traps and keep away others.

The evil perfume companies have dipped into the power of the pheromone as well, using it in different fragrances to get the opposite sex into subconscious submission.

However, these fragrances are hit or (often) miss when it comes to stirring up sexual stamina.

The whole pheromone phenomenon is nothing more than a basic animal survival tactic, one that we can't really control and certainly can't perfectly replicate.

While perfumes don't actually act as scent magnets, they do tap into the subconscious nonetheless, providing the wearer with a

stronger sense of self-confidence and a better attitude.

But don't think that you are powerless to the might of the scent. The receptors in the nose can only pick up the pheromone scent from fewer than 18 inches away, so in many cases you have to get really close to the person before even getting hit with that initial olfactory attraction.

So what is the best way to use your smell?

Women are apparently more attracted to the scent of musk. The preconceived notion that women could smell pheromones better from a sweaty man is just bollocks.

As for men, there are a number of smells that can increase penile blood flow. From pumpkin to doughnuts to lavender, it all just depends on what smell best represents you and works well with not only your own scent but also with the interest of the guy.

Just like social interaction itself, pheromones are a tricky business. They can go either direction for someone depending on a variety of factors such as setting, time, receptor, and the scent you are giving off (yes, apparently we can also change scents depending on our mood and interest in someone).

All in all, it's just another little puzzle piece to help understand the great complexities of attraction.

Sexclamations
By KJ Adler,
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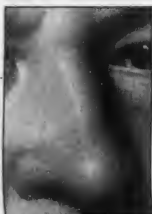


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"Office" Shows that Life Exists After 9 to 5

After four miserable months of waiting, tonight I will bask in the return of NBC's "The Office."

When a friend first explained the premise of "The Office" to me, I was more than skeptical. An entire television series based around the antics of a paper company in Scranton, Pa. hardly sounded worth TiVoing. I soon discovered that it is the very under-whelming qualities of "The Office" that make it not only hilarious, but endearing. I ended up buying all four seasons on DVD this summer, and have become completely addicted to the employee interactions at Dunder Mifflin.

The show is filmed "mockumentary" style, with no explanation as to why the proceedings at a paper company would ever be considered worth capturing on film.

The unseen camera crew serves as silent omniscient narrators, slyly guiding the viewer toward the unobvious. There is no laugh track, no background music, and no exceptionally attractive cast members. The awkward silences and shaky camera angles create a televised world that feels much closer to reality than "The Hills."

In contrast with the over-the-top mindlessness of "celebrity" and stale sitcoms, "The Office" perfects the art of subtlety by highlighting the mediocre and glorifying the awkward. The characters are not only flawed, but are completely relatable in their naivety and desperation. It is the lack of glamour that is so comforting.

At the helm of the failing paper company is Michael Scott, the embodiment of social retardation. The regional manager is played by Steve Carell and is not too far off from a "40-year-old virgin." While Michael's obliviousness often sparks inappropriate and offensive behavior, his good intentions are always evident in the end. Steve Carell himself once said, "If you don't know someone like Michael Scott, you are a Michael Scott."

Starting with the original British version, there are now seven different versions all over the world, including the French "Le Bateau" and the German "Stromberg."

Clearly, overwhelming awkwardness has universal appeal worldwide. But why do people subject themselves to such uncomfortable situations?

To a certain extent, watching "The Office" is painful. Many conversations that take place on "The Office" are the verbal equivalents of watching "Jackass."

People like to watch painful and embarrassing situations in order to feel better about their own painful and embarrassing situations.

Watching the constant humiliation could be considered masochistic if it weren't for the occasional scenes of redemption; those precious moments when the colleagues find love and entertainment within their cubicles.

The underlying message that "The Office" conveys is that there is value in the mundane. Even if you're overweight, you hate your job and/or were raised on a beef farm, there is still so much of life worth laughing about. It is the interactions you have with people, awkward or not, that define contentment.

So as I bob my head to the synth line of "The Office" theme song tonight, I will continue to revel in the fact that my life has yet to succumb to the drudgery of 9 to 5.

However, if I do end up working in sterile office in five years, I have full confidence that I will be creating my own comedy and drama. It won't be that hard.

(That's what she said.)

Letter to the Editor: Point-of-View Is a Factor in Diversity

The following letter was written in response to Breeana Sveum's column "Diversity More than Just Race" (Sept. 11, 2008, The Bulletin):

Dear Editor:

Breeana Sveum made a good point in addressing the diversity that exists in the white community; for instance, a white Irish person and a white Polish person have two very different cultural traditions and consequently a degree of diversity between the two. And we agree with her point that cultural diversity is manifested through "more than just skin color."

But her article doesn't address a crucial factor of race relations and diversity: to be non-white is to experience the world in a dramatically different way than someone who is white.

Within any group one can find diversity, but it must be obvious and perceptible to be legitimate.

At a table at Seacobeck, three blondes and two brunettes conversing with one another using the same language with similar accents are not perceived as being ethnically dissimilar. It

does not matter that one is descended from Dutch immigrants, another from Germans, etc., etc.

This facet of their heritage is masked by dialect, accent, and appearance, and is of insufficient salience to consider their group an assemblage of diverse cultural representatives: A mass of students sharing similar socioeconomic and racial backgrounds cannot be considered diverse when the only evidence of a distinction lies in their inter-personally unobvious and unreported ancestries.

The white experience is very different from the black experience, and the brown experience.

And while diversity exists among each of these groups, the greatest amount of cultural diversity can be seen between them.

So if our goal at this university truly is to increase diversity, then inviting different ethnic minorities is key.

By increasing diversity, we foster an environment filled with different ideas and fresh perspectives—but we also answer the call for fair inclusion and social justice.

Pete Guzman is a junior and Antonio Changanuqui is a sophomore.

School STD Testing Must Be Infectious

BY ANNIE KINNIBURGH
Guest Columnist

There's nothing like a bad cold to ruin your day. And there's nothing like HIV to ruin your life.

The UMW Health Center is prepared to give you a tissue, and even some antibiotics. But when it comes to a potential STD, students are on their own.

The UMW Women's Center advertises STD testing, and it sounds like the perfect fast and easy way to get checked out. As it turns out, though, "STD testing" means testing for two possible infections, chlamydia and gonorrhea, as part of a standard \$55 check-up, thrown in with a pap smear and a three-month supply of birth control.

There are no tests for AIDS, syphilis or HPV. Genital herpes, which infects a fifth of the national population, is left off the list as well. According to the American Social Health Association, nearly 90 percent of people infected with genital herpes don't know it—making the test to find it all the more important.

But students concerned about herpes or AIDS won't find help at the UMW Health Center. Instead, they'll be redirected to the Fredericksburg Health Department, which offers a full battery of STD tests. The tests are free, which is good news for a college student's wallet, but the actual process can be a major drain on time and energy.

Students wanting to take advantage of the Health Department's free clinic have only three hours a week in which to do so: Mondays and Thursdays between 12:30 and 2 p.m. Only 25 people will be tested per day, and the clinic is popular

and crowded, so arriving early is a must.

Even so, it may take multiple visits before the testing actually occurs. And it can take up to two weeks to get the results—which can be a very long time if you're waiting to have sex or having doubts after the fact.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, nearly half of all newly acquired STDs occur in people between the ages of 18 and 25. Colleges are well aware of this fact.

For a fee, the University of Virginia offers a wide range of STD tests, including those for HIV and HPV. Virginia Commonwealth University does the same.

It seems about time for UMW to catch on and realize that the Health Center needs to make STD testing a greater priority.

This means allocating funds and facilities that would allow for a broader spectrum of tests.

If the University can afford extensive expansion, it doesn't seem unreasonable to assume that it can afford the lab equipment for viral cultures and antibody tests.

Right now, students have to choose between insufficient and inconvenient testing for diseases that could affect them for the rest of their lives.

It's up to us to take responsibility for our own sex lives and their potential results, but when doing so involves a commute and hours of waiting, a busy college student may just throw caution to the wind and hope for the best.

Our sexual health is just as important as our physical health, and STDs are too big a health risk for UMW to let them go undetected and untreated.

Entertainment

Top 5 Ways the LHC Could Make or Break Our Earthly Home

By JOHN SHERIDAN
Staff Writer

OK, so maybe you (normal) folks have been too distracted by Alaskan girls or the Major League of guys hitting balls with sticks to have heard of the Large Hadron Collider. It's easy for subjects like this to be brushed aside or underestimated as "crazy science stuff," because most of the world honestly doesn't care what a particle accelerator is.

So here's the short of it: it's a 17-mile-long circular tube buried 100 meters underground near

Geneva that smashes protons and lead ions together with unimaginable kinetic force. It's more or less designed to replicate the conditions of the Big Bang.

The project was designed in 1996, completed in 2008, and on Sept. 10 it was activated. This is truly super-science, the stuff of science fiction, but sans the fiction. If it actually works in doing what it was created for, there are a number of ways that it could fundamentally change the way we understand the very fabric of our universe.

The fact is when you're messing around with experimental science, you never know exactly

what will happen.

The following are only a few things that scientists understand the LHC to be capable of, but these are the top five for the win in my opinion.

1. Time Travel.

Seriously. Because the LHC is experimenting with space and time on a scale never before used by humanity, this is when we start conceivably working towards time travel. Time travel starts with the first time machine, therefore some Russian mathematicians have calculated that now is when we could start seeing time travelers from the future. I'm holding my breath, John Connor.

2. Mini black holes.

There was a group of European scientists, led by a Dr. Otto Rossler that submitted a formal complaint to the European Court of Human Rights, begging them not to turn on the LHC because as far as all calculations can predict, it could create a mini black hole that would increase in size exponentially and suck the world into oblivion within four years. The scientists at CERN did not deny the claims, because that is entirely

possible. A four-year end-of-the-world party? Yeah, why not.

3. The Higgs-boson.

Science has never seen one of these, but theoretically they must exist, and if the experiments succeed in creating one of these, it would explain why any and all particles have mass. Sort of like answering the age-old "why is anything anything?" question.

4. The Multiverse.

If the experiments manage to produce another theoretical particle, called a gluino, this would explain that our universe is only one of many, according to string theory.

5. New dimensions to our Universe.

Another thing string theorists would get a rise out of is that the LHC experiments could ostensibly show that there are more than four dimensions to our reality.

This instrument could explain the Standard Model of particle physics that we've been using for decades. Or it might just tear the planet in half, who knows? That's the best part, nobody knows. So we've got to grip this piece of technology by the shaft and ride it straight into the future. Or possibly the past.

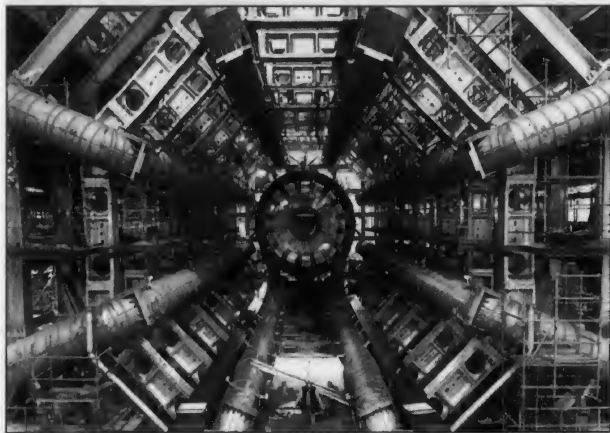


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Entertainment

System Gets Political

Former Metal Gods Trade Distortion For Activism

By **MISSAK ARTINIAN**
Staff Writer

It has been more than three years since System of a Down mesmerized and hypnotized their fans with "Mezmerize" and "Hypnotize."

Following their two multi-platinum selling albums, devout fans were disappointed to learn that all four members of the Grammy Award-winning band would go on a temporary hiatus.

But when news broke out that each member of the band would pursue their own independent projects, fans were both skeptical and excited.

The world got a brief taste of one such project in 2006, called "Screamers," a documentary directed by Emmy Award-winning director Carla Garapedian, who collaborated with System of a Down to create an important and powerful account of the Armenian genocide and its connection with the Holocaust, Darfur and other crimes against humanity.

All four members of System of a Down are of Armenian descent and are descendants of genocide survivors.

The Armenian genocide is an event that took place in 1915, when approximately 1.5 million Armenians were systematically deported from their homelands and forced to march in the heat of the Syrian Desert where they starved to death and perished. The event has been consistently denied by the Turkish Government and has yet to be classified as "genocide" by the United States on the national level.

In the same year of the documentary's release, the band joined other Armenian-Americans in a protest outside former House Speaker Dennis Hastert's (R-IL) office to convince him to pass a resolution that would finally recognize the Armenian genocide in the United States.

Although the House International Relations

Committee approved the resolution, Hastert did not call it for a vote.

The issue, although 93 years old, has current implications, as the House Foreign Affairs Committee adopted a non-binding resolution in October of last year, much to the Turkish Government and Bush Administration's dismay.

President Bush, hours before the resolution passed, said, "This resolution is not the right response to these historic mass killings."

Turkey has been a key ally to the United States during the war in Iraq.

System of a Down is well-known for its politically-charged, critical lyrics addressing topics that range from the war in Iraq to genocide in general.

System of a Down frontman Serj Tankian released a solo-album in October of last year, with his own unorthodox political message to send. Tankian called the album "Elect the Dead."

In an interview with MTV, Tankian said, "We should channel the wisdom of not just the physical and imperial world, but the world beyond to really make the right choices, because we really F'ed up."

The two singles off the album, "The Unthinking Majority" and "Empty Walls," share grim themes that portray world leaders as war-mongering cannibals and the voters who elect them into power as naïve prey. In the latter single, he sings, "When we decline from the confines of our mind, don't waste your time on coffins today."

Tankian has also put his lyrics into action, hosting a website, www.ElectTheDead.com, where users can "revolutionize our Democracy" by signing a petition that reforms the electoral process. The petition seeks to abolish the Electoral College, equalize corporate funding in elections and implement multiple-choice taxation, among other reforms.

With November elections looming, the album



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and website may be worth checking out.

The other band members, too, have been busy with their own projects.

In July, Daron Malakian and John Dolmayan, the guitarist and drummer, respectively, released their own album, titled "Scars on Broadway."

The album is blunter with its political message. The lyrics to one of the songs, titled "Exploding/Reloading," read, "I am, I am genocide, mixed with Turkish lies."

Shavo Odjanyan, System of a Down's bassist, is currently collaborating with the Wu-Tang Clan on a hip-hop project called "Achozen," which is set to release late this year.

As for any details on when System of a Down will reunite, Daron Malakian had this to say: "If anyone's holding their breath for a System record, they're going to turn blue and pass out. It's a long ways away."

Ratatat Thump and Squeal Their Way Through DC Experimental Pop Duo to Hit Baltimore and the Capital

By **ELIOT HAGEN**
Staff Writer

Fans of Ratatat are few and far between in the general population, and the majority of them are college students. Their music is too advanced and strange sounding for the average high-school student, but perfect for the more open-minded members of the educational world.

In all my years of expanding and exploring my musical horizons, I've never heard anything like Ratatat. Essentially just two guys with electric guitars and a beat machine (and a backup keyboardist for live performances), their music challenges conventions.

Their studio albums range from exploration of modern rap and hip-hop to Middle Eastern and South American styles. In addition to compositional and rhythmic variety, the music actually *sounds* different, with noises and tones that most can't even imagine.

With Ratatat concluding their summer tour with



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performances in D.C. and Baltimore, allow me to tell you how they were in concert: back in July, I crossed the river from Manhattan to Brooklyn to see them. The opening rap act was less than spectacular with generic beats and lyrics, but when the lights dimmed and the main act came on, I knew

that the wait had been worth it.

The hour that followed more than made up for the 40 minutes that preceded it. The atmosphere in the club was so energized that even the most inhibited of people couldn't help but 'join in.' Combined with lengthened

versions of their best tracks and their stage presence, the performance was electrifying.

The light show was spectacular, with footage from their music videos, movies, news broadcasts and computer-generated imagery playing in time with the music, the more climactic notes accompanied by a single blinding flash from a strobe.

As for what songs you can expect to hear, they played their better singles from their newest album, "LP3," but also several extended renditions of tracks like "Lex," "Wildcat" and "Seventeen Years."

Catch Ratatat at Sonar in Baltimore on Oct. 5.
Tickets are \$16, available online at ticketmaster.com

'Righteous Kill' Fails to Deliver

Pacino and DeNiro Highlight Mundane Cop Drama

By **ELIOT HAGEN**
Staff Writer

When I bought tickets to "Righteous Kill," I was skeptical as to its quality. The prospect of putting Robert De Niro and Al Pacino in the same movie together (again) sounded like the same star-vehicle scheme that studios pulled when they made such turkeys as "The Forbidden Kingdom" and "Basic." While my suspicions were correct, the film wasn't terrible. Just not something you'd watch twice.

In typical cop drama form, De Niro and Pacino play a team of aging detectives on the trail of a serial killer who dispatches criminals who happen to slip through the cracks in the justice system. Assuming the killer to be a disenchanted police officer, we see tensions rise to a boiling point between the veteran detectives and two overly ambitious young detectives (played by John Leguizamo and Donnie Wahlberg). The movie also features Curtis Jackson (50 Cent) playing (big surprise) a drug dealer and club

owner, but he only has a few minutes of screen time.

Russell Gewirtz' ("Inside Man") script doesn't shine, but it's not terrible. There are several good scenes, some quick wit, but it's nothing spectacular. The same thing goes for the direction, cinematography and scoring.

Anyone going to see this movie is going for two reasons: De Niro and Pacino. Their performances are quite good, but nothing like what they've done before. They're certainly the highlight of the movie, but they aren't good enough to warrant a second viewing.

With ham-handed attempts at creating a love triangle and some parts that are completely incongruous with the rest of the plot, the pacing and overall progression of the plot suffers from being inconsistent in terms of quality and importance. The worst part of the movie was the ending. In movies like this, the ending is the most important part. That's when the twist comes and when everything is revealed. That's when the plot passes the point of no return. In this movie,

however, the ending is comprised of a rather gratuitous (not graphic—just inconsequential) rape scene, a good twist and a terrible denouement that leaves the viewer unfulfilled.

The thing is that the movie does nothing to break free of the generic cop drama formula. There's a bit of a love interest (Carla Gugino), a tough but fair police chief (Brian Dennehy), and, of course, the requisite twist. The problem with the "twist" factor is that experienced viewers will spend the entire movie trying to guess the twist. This movie does something different that made the twist a bit more surprising, but despite that and good performances from its



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stars, the film is only slightly above average.

If you're in the market for a cop drama, you could see this or watch an episode of "Law & Order." You'll get pretty much the same experience out of both.

Features



Courtesy of Ephraim Firdiyew

Junk Science plays to a campus crowd at Ball Circle. From left to right: Jeremy Cooper, Ephraim Firdiyew, Matt Bradshaw, Ben Marks and Ed Dickerson.

Music Revs The 'Burg

By **BRITTANY De VRIES**
Features Editor

Senior Dave Jensen doesn't play in a band, and he hasn't since he was 13 years old.

Jensen does play music. At 13, he picked up the guitar at an old auto repair shop in Smithfield. The small bluegrass town held jam sessions and a bake sale at the shop once a month to raise money for the volunteer fire department.

"It was with people who live on farms and ranches every day," he said. "They had one chance each month to come out to the back of the shop and play music."

Jensen explained the unwritten code that dictates the now ceased bluegrass jam sessions at the auto shop.

"They want you to play by the rules," Jensen said. "You're polite at first, on the edge of the circle, just listening. Once people get to know your face, you're invited to move inward."

"You're paying your dues in the circle."

Jensen jams in Fredericksburg now, with the friends he's met since he enrolled at the University. He explained that the rules are much looser here in town.

"It's not as organized, there's not a style people subscribe to," he said, acknowledging that the fellow musicians know the standards and can "hold their own."

Senior Thomas Johnson, a music major who plays with Jensen at the Sunken Well Tavern every other Sunday, had the same response about the people with whom he plays music.

"With pick-up music, rehearsal and gigs are the same thing," Johnson said. "You bring a basic structure with you to the table. Everyone can hold it down."

In addition to playing the keyboard at the Well, Johnson works as a church musician every weekend, and plays jazz trios and quartets with college students for private and public gigs.

Not every event, Johnson explained,

runs smoothly.

He recalled one show, where he played with a group he described as "of Brazilian Mafia caliber."

"It was a large train wreck in high paying clientele," Johnson said. "You never know what [your customers] are going to ask for."

Senior Ephraim Firdiyew, bassist for the funk rock band Junk Science, recalled another unforgettable show in Annandale during the summer of 2007.

"We dressed in funny hats and played songs like 'When the Saints Come Marching In' to hundreds of K-4th grade students," Firdiyew said.

Junk Science started as a "nameless cover band," according to Firdiyew, until they began writing their own songs and music together in 2006.

Though the band's UMW graduates have moved around, the band strives to stay together and keep meeting new challenges.

"It's the goal of every band or musician, I think, to be able to make a living

off of the art that you make, and this is something none of us want to give up," he said. "Incorporating electronic music into our sound would be challenging, and open us up to a different crowd of people."

Bands popular to campus crowds, like Junk Science and Tereu Tereu, are inspirations to newer bands rising out of UMW and Virginia.

Junior Brett Nickley is guitarist, singer, and songwriter for OKCorral, an indie rock band he put together with his brother and two friends.

OKCorral, which played for the 2008 SHH Walkathon last spring, hopes to release a full-length record by January.

For Nickley, finding a unique sound for this young band before then remains the group's biggest chal-



Courtesy of Nicole Winning

Thomas Johnson (keys) and Chris Lugo play with John Ehlers and the Every News.

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Clemente Kicks Off Latino Series Month

By **ANNE LONGERBEAM**
Assistant Features Editor

Rosa Clemente thinks the term "Hispanic" is outdated.

Clemente, Green Party vice-presidential candidate and hip-hop journalist, visited the University of Mary Washington as the first speaker of a series of events planned for "Latino Identities: A Month-Long Celebration" last Wednesday night.

She pushed for students to explore issues they were passionate about, the course of action in an issue can never be premature, according to Clemente.

"You don't go and get it approved by your advisor, or your administrator, or your teacher," Clemente said. "You may ask them for advice, but what are the issues that you are passionate about, how are you going to move them forward?"

Clemente commented how she would easily win against Sarah Palin, Governor of Alaska and Republican Party vice-presidential candidate, in a debate.

"Is that the best you could get?" Clemente rhetorically asked unnamed Republicans.

Clemente later admitted that choosing a woman was a strategic move to try to win Hillary Clinton supporters.

"Are you going to let Sarah Palin become the new face of womanhood in this country?" Clemente asked.

Clemente, the first Latino candidate on a presidential ballot, is running as

Vice President alongside Cynthia McKinney, former six-term Congresswoman, for the Green Party in the 2008 Presidential election.

McKinney and Clemente made history this year with the first all-women-of-color Presidential ticket.

During Clemente's speech in Great Hall she accused Palin's incapability to

articulate her ideas.

"She can't even string a sentence together," Clemente said.

Jokes aimed at Palin, such as how she "chews moose" and "can see Russia from her window" weaved through Clemente's speech.

Other more serious issues were addressed, including the recent bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers, a stock trading global investment bank. Clemente warned the audience that an economic crisis such as this can result in xenophobia, an unreasonable fear and contempt of foreigners, and hate crimes. According to Clemente, there has already been an increase in hate crimes, and there will continue to be an increase, especially against Latinos.

Clemente related to college students, saying she experienced a political awakening as a student at the University of Albany, SUNY. Clemente concentrated on national liberation struggles as an undergraduate, and continued her studies at Cornell University. While at Cornell, Clemente founded La Voz Boriken, a social/political organization dedicated to Puerto Rican political prisoners and the independence of Puerto Rico.

Students from the audience thought Clemente was a powerful speaker, but were disenchanted with some of her political issues. One issue supported by Clemente, the replacement of capitalism with alternative economic systems,



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In the lower 9th ward, Clemente spoke at UMW Sept. 17.

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Workin' Vote

Students find ways to bring political awareness, voter turnout to campus

By **JESSICA PIKE**
Staff Writer

As the voter registration deadline draws nearer to Oct. 6, many UMW students are diligently working tables at the Eagle's Nest, knocking on Fredericksburg residents' doors and making phone calls to community members. All the efforts are to ensure that everyone is signed up to vote for the upcoming 2008 Presidential election.

Junior Joe Buonannata, president of E. Pluribus Unum, a non-partisan political awareness group at UMW, recognizes the importance of student involvement in the voting process.

"I want to make it easy for students to register to vote, get their absentee ballots, and learn more about the candidates that they are voting for," Buonannata said.

Another large-scale group responsible for voter registration across the nation is The Community Voters Project (CVP).

The CVP is a non-partisan voter registration group that hires and trains professional staff to register United States citizens to vote.

Allison Cairo, Va. state director of the CVP, said that the group has just started doing work within the Fredericksburg area, but is still encouraging students to get involved with the organization.

"We are still looking for more students, especially during the last few weeks before registration deadline. We want to make sure we speak to as many people as possible," Cairo said.

Cairo stated that by working for CVP, students and community members can expect to make between \$8-\$10 an hour.

However, many UMW students volunteer their time to increase political awareness and do not receive any money for their hard work and efforts.

Junior Sara Berkowitz, an intern for the Barack Obama Campaign for Change, is one such student who finds satisfaction in simply assisting others with the voting process.

"When I register someone to vote, it makes me feel like I am making a direct impact on what is happening," Berkowitz said. "Even though I do not know if they are going to make it to the polls, it is exciting to know that it is one more number, one more person."

Joe Buonannata has the same mindset, intent on assisting the UMW community.

"It's a great feeling to know that you've helped someone, even in a small way, in the process of making a difference in the way this country is run," Buonannata said.

Yet, being involved in voting registration

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Wolfe's College "I Am" Bares All

By KAITLIN MAYHEW
Assistant Features Editor

Poor Charlotte, the naive girl from Sparta, N.C., is thrown into a world of vulgarity and candid hierarchy, where humiliation is the ultimate depravity, and status is the dream.

"I Am Charlotte Simmons" by Tom Wolfe is an investigative and unsettling novel about college scandal and the loss of innocence.

One aspect that makes this story especially tragic, if not slightly unbelievable is the complete innocence of high school scholar Charlotte Simmons as she enters freshman year at fictional Dupont University.

Some young people, like those born in rural areas, can be said to be sheltered, and Charlotte, who clearly never tuned into MTV, read a *Cosmopolitan* magazine, sampled alcohol, or wore high heels, is thrown into a full blown party scene full of oversexed college students.

The novel eloquently revolves around three sets of scandals all occurring at Dupont University, a school Wolfe modeled after prestigious Ivy Leagues.

The scandals involve Hoyt the Fraternity hot shot, Jojo Johanson the basketball star, Adam Gellin the intelligent reporter, and Charlotte herself.

As Charlotte gains the ever-revered status as the girlfriend of a star athlete, she realizes how her priorities have changed. Academic excellence is no longer her ultimate goal, it was replaced by the undeniable need to not only be accepted but feel special. The Sparta Simmons is gone forever.

Although this novel was undoubtedly thoroughly researched, and eloquently written, I do somewhat question its complete accuracy. The story, though heart wrenching and provocative noticeably omits integral aspects that cannot be absent from such a prestigious university.

Book Review

There were no medical students pulling all nighters in the library, no frighteningly assertive business majors competing for the top slots, no pre-law students working tirelessly on debate teams, no newspaper editors coordinating what is most likely a daily campus paper.

It is believable that some standards at any school could be falling, or that there are some less than admirable lengths taken to keep top athletes in classes. But it is completely irrational to assert that this is the only option for a college hopeful.

Wolfe provides an excellent and eye opening read in "I Am Charlotte Simmons" that serves to me more as a

warning than an informant of the inevitable. In this sense I think it's something every girl, and boy for that matter, should read before becoming a college freshman.



Wolfe's "I Am Charlotte Simmons" sells at \$15 for paperback and \$28.95 for hardcover at Borders Bookstores.

THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID



Brittany DeVries is about to die if she hears the song "Bleeding Love" one more time. 3 hours ago - Comment.

I was on Facebook last night, that student-turned-global Web site craze that, just last week, was so unfashionably redesigned. It has so many spam-looking hyperlinks that I couldn't even find the people's photographs. Not that I was trying to snoop through photos that had nothing to do with me.

Okay, so I'm lying. I spent 35 minutes staring with dried pupils at uploaded shots of people I hardly knew, of people drinking beer after beer and losing clothes.

I stared at my ex-boyfriend having fun without me, and the pretty girl with a pair of boots I didn't own yet, and I sneered. I laughed at inside jokes I had nothing to do with. A tear came to my eye when so-and-so's status revealed the little Facebook broken heart. I even found someone's family gathering and smiled at the family resemblance between grandfather and grandson.

I don't think I know the grandson, but we are, and it's official. "Facebook friends."

I stalk. So do you. When I first got

to college, I was ashamed of my actions and kept them to myself.

Yet, after many conversations over several years with loving friends that are stalkers too, I have embraced my creepiness as a healthy habit. Whether through online sites like Myspace and Facebook, or through any other facet of life, it is both normal and natural to be curious, nosy, and even perhaps obsessive of those we love and hate.

Weird? No. After a couple drunk drive-thrus at Route 1's Taco Bell, a few break-out-on-song situations with B101.5 at the Nest (By the way, is that not your favorite station now?), a few bike-ops escapes, a 3 a.m. run to Walmart, and a couple rides on the Fred Bus, strange ways turn into a means of survival in this tiny town.

If you haven't mastered the art of stalking, creeping, and being strange, it's about time you did. It is time to put aside your studies, time to lose the "I'm just standing and drinking a beer like a normal person," or the "I never stop smiling, ever" pose in every Facebook picture (because I've seen you do that). It's time to stop pretending you didn't trip while walking up the stairs of Combs, and jump on the creeper bandwagon.

Really, we're all a bunch of overgrown children who are constantly trying to not be weird just long enough to earn a degree, a resume, and a job.

I know, the new Facebook is hard to cope with. I'm still learning, and much against my will. But we will adapt.

I mean, you do log on every two hours.

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Artists Improvise Sounds

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lenge.

"New sounds keep forming. We're still looking for that sound that sounds like the OKCorral," Nickley said.

At the Loft open mic each Wednesday, audiences can listen to the Green Boys play acoustic sets.

Junior Sean Green started the Green Boys with his brother, UMW alumnus Ryan Green, after spending a year in New Mexico together.

"We were trying to get something together the whole time," Green said.

The brothers, who found initial inspiration from a Beatles book of chords, both sing their own lyrics and play original music on the bass and guitar.

"We really try to focus on the melodies and harmonies, on blending our voices together," Green said.

Jensen plays as much in his friends' apartments or rented warehouse space as at local establishments with artists like Jay Starling and John Buck, both members of the band the Transmitters, the Green Boys, Andre Eglevsky, and Thomas Newendel.

"After a really good show, everyone

is feeling the vibe," Jensen said of his favorite time to play music. "In the first hour, everyone is settling in and warming up. By the second or third hour, they're all getting in the zone. You start reaching for things you couldn't do before, start hitting your stride."

Green agreed.

"It's not just nights, it's songs you get into," he said. "You know where everyone is, and you know where the song is going."

Jensen remarked that that spontaneity is what makes Fredericksburg's music scene thrive despite the lack of a

large population and venues.

"It doesn't have the population, the drive of people to support the number of talented musicians in the area," he said.

Band or no band, musicians tend to agree that they are the ones to keep each other going.

"You say, 'let's play this tune,'" Johnson said of typical jam sessions. "They say 'okay,' and you start going, and picking up off of each other. It's impromptu, but you keep the cool and make things happen."

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Latina Speaks Up

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was never discussed in depth.

Senior Emely Amaya thought certain issues, including the replacement of capitalism with other economic systems, were a little too much for her vote.

"It's a good theory, but it's not going to win," Amaya said.

Another student, Barbara Ailstock, thought Clemente was an effective speaker.

"Clemente presented relevant facts about Palin, but failed to go into details about her own solutions to the problems at hand," Ailstock said.

Assistant Professor of Spanish Jeremy Larochelle appreciated the different method of thinking Clemente took during her speech.

UMW Votes Count

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tration is not always an easy task.

Sophomore Justine Rothbart, an active member of the Young Democrats, said she has had to deal with people on the phone hanging up on her and other rude rejection.

Berkowitz also reflected on some of the difficult and funny times she has had while canvassing. "A lot of dogs have attacked us," Berkowitz said, laughing.

However, these UMW students all get excited and enjoy assisting first time voters in sending in

their registration forms.

"For many of us, we are registering to vote in our first presidential election, which makes it that more exciting," Buonananna said.

Once registered to vote, political science associate professor Elizabeth Larus advises students to defend their choice of candidate with reason, and not take rumor, innuendo, blogs, and campaign ads as good sources of information.

"Voters really have to work to find reliable information on candidates, and unfortunately, a lot of students don't do this legwork and vote with the herd," Larus said.

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News

Fueling a Greener UMW

By RYAN MARR
Staff Writer

With fuel costs soaring and state-mandated budget cuts looming, the University has developed a strategy of "cost-avoidance," a series of measures to prevent unnecessary costs, to deal with dramatic increases in gasoline, natural gas, and electricity expenditures.

But, despite the school's efforts, rising fuel costs coupled with salary increases have significantly raised student tuition and fees. Since the last fiscal year, tuition and fees for an in-state, on-campus student with a meal plan have risen 5.5 percent, according to Rick Pierce, the school's associate vice president of Business and Finance.

Gasoline prices have increased \$17,000 since the last fiscal year, and the cost of running the heating plant, which uses natural gas, has risen 20 percent to \$985,000 a year according to John Wiltenmuth, associate vice president for Facilities Services.

"Direct fuel costs are seen in gasoline, diesel, natural gas and shipping fuel surcharges," Wiltenmuth said. "Indirect costs are reflected in almost every material and service purchase including electricity."

The Virginia State Corporation Commission has predicted the cost of electricity will increase by as much as 30 percent in the coming year.

University officials took dramatic steps to address these issues in 2005 by contracting Noresco, an energy-management company, to formulate a cost-avoidance strategy designed to improve energy efficiency.

According to Wiltenmuth, this strategy emphasizes the importance of reducing energy output down to the square footage and has been implemented in recent construction projects, most notably the Lee Hall renovations.



Operator George Wharton inspects the small natural gas boiler at the UMW Powerplant.

The contract was also responsible for the installation of low-flow toilets and showerheads, motion sensor lights in some classrooms, natural gas pipe insulation and new monitoring systems for controlling peak energy usage of air-conditioning systems.

After two years, Noresco's contract appears to be paying dividends, saving the school more than \$200,000 in energy costs.

According to Pearce, the school is currently paying Noresco \$30,000 a year to promote energy conservation on campus through activities such as a residential adviser training program and last year's light bulb exchange.

Pearce estimates that UMW saves much more than it spends on the yearly contract.

"By taking these energy-efficiency steps, we're keeping fuel increases down and avoiding a big jump in costs," Pearce said.

According to Pearce, student meal plans and housing contracts have increased 6 and 7 percent respectively since the last fiscal year to cover part of the escalating costs.

Students can expect this upward trend to continue as energy prices rise.

According to Economics Professor Robert Rycroft, market prices are likely to continue to rise due to a number of factors—namely increasing demand from emerging economies in China and India, volatile oil-supplying nations and lackluster refinery growth in the United States.

"The days of cheap gasoline are a thing of the past," Rycroft said. "However, a higher price for gasoline will be beneficial over the long term, resulting in conservation and investments in alternate energy sources."

Conservation is the next step in the University's cost-avoidance strategy and relies heavily on student participa-

tion. Pearce urges all students, faculty and staff to make efforts such as turning off lights, powering down computers, and take shorter showers.

Around campus, idling trucks have become a rare sight and maintenance trucks are filled to passenger capacity to cut back on fuel costs.

"All those pennies add up," Wiltenmuth said.

The University's Ecology Club, which co-sponsored last year's light bulb exchange with Noresco, suggests making use of public transportation and buying local goods to reduce personal energy consumption while living on campus.

"The best way to reduce your energy consumption is to be aware of what you use and how you use it," said Nate Delano, vice president of the club. "That way, we can make conscious, personal decisions about how we help the earth."

UMW Alert Tested

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weekend would hear it.

In some areas, the speaker was echoing or not as loud as anticipated, but students in these areas knew that a loud speaker was sounding and could in an emergency seek further information. The volume for the test was set at 99 percent, about as loud as possible.

According to McMillan, the tone and voice could be distinguished near Jepson, but the words could not be made out.

For junior Sarah Carlson, the system worked well near the bell tower, but the voice had an echo to it.

In the case of a real emergency, students would hear a live message over the speaker, which is either preset or set by a microphone from the police headquarters. Separate messages can be announced at different locations.

"The Area Warning System adds another means of communication to the University of Mary Washington's emergency notification plans," said Mannix.

Hurley recalled when several years ago a tornado was heading toward campus. At that point UMW police had to drive up and down campus walk with bullhorns to alert students to get inside. This system will eliminate these situations.

The administration and students seem positive about this new system, but for junior Holly Markiewicz, the system reminds her of the dangers around us.

"It is a sad reminder of the times we live in," Markiewicz said. "We don't have the illusion of a safe campus anymore."

AC Off and On in Academic Buildings

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newer building. According to Wiltenmuth, Combs underwent modification to its HVAC system this summer to improve humidity control. However, an incorrectly switched communication cable caused the AC to shut down on one occasion this semester.

Music Department Chair David Long noticed lack of air-conditioning on various occasions in both Dupont and Pollard.

"Since it seems to be a constant

problem, I wonder—are we trying to put band-aids on the problem, or are we looking for the root cause?" he said.

In Trinkle, Cynthia Toomey, office manager for the classics, philosophy and religion department, has dealt with a malfunctioning system for years.

"It's gone off at least four times this year. I've worked here for 16 years and it's been going off every summer," she said.

Lack of air-conditioning impacts students' and faculty members' ability to focus according to Huber.

"All you can think of is you are

starting to drip and [the students] are starting to drip and they are falling asleep," Huber said.

Economics Professor Robert Rycroft acknowledges the extent to which air-conditioning affects learning.

"When the AC works, it's great. When it doesn't work, it's pretty onerous. Economics is a hard enough subject—you need optimal conditions," he said.

The exact number of air-conditioning breakdowns is unknown, as Facility Services' equipment does not have a record of past outages. However, a new

system instituted this August will allow Facility Services to begin tracking the frequencies of problems. When the air-conditioning system malfunctions, faculty members in both new and old buildings are responsible for notifying facility services.

"While some of the building conditions can be monitored remotely, we do not have sufficient staff to provide constant monitoring 24/7, nor even on a constant basis during business hours," Wiltenmuth said.

Faculty members appear empathetic to Facility Services' widespread duties.

"Facilities services have their fingers in a lot of pies. It's not as though they're sitting at a desk waiting for the next call," Long said.

English, linguistics and communications Professor James Harding dealt with problems with the air-conditioning in his Combs office earlier this year, but appreciates Facility Services' swiftness in repairing it.

"They do the best they can. Everybody tells them if it's not working and they come and fix it," he said.

A Fight for Funds

By JOHANNAH O'KEEFE
Staff Writer

UMW club budgets for this year are significantly lower than last year's, leaving many club leaders puzzled by the reasoning behind the cuts. "We expected the budget cuts, and it was just a reality we had to deal with," said Ron Brooks, the Finance Committee chair.

Last year, Mary Washington's Finance Committee was granted a total budget of \$515,000 toward clubs and activities. This year, the student-run Finance Committee, which allocates funding to clubs and organizations on campus, had a \$500,000 budget.

Last year, Gov. Tim Kaine announced a 5 percent reduction in Virginia public higher education funding appropriations for fall of the 2007-08 academic year. Early this year, Kaine announced an additional 0.5 percent cut, which dramatic tuition increases are expected to shoulder.

At the end of May, the committee had braced themselves for a budget of \$400,000 for the upcoming year. However, they discovered over the summer that the budget would actually be \$100,000 more than expected.

Some smaller groups, like the Geography Club, are currently looking at a seven dollar budget for this year.

"We're definitely frustrated with our budget," said Emily Fornof, president of the Geography Club.

According to Fornof, when the Geography Club applied for a budget this year, they were told by the Finance Committee that their requests for

food money were denied due to the unpredictability of the economy.

Additionally, the club's other requests were denied, because they "weren't specific enough," said Fornof.

"It's just a lot of paperwork, and we should have been given more money to start with," she said.

Brooks said the Finance Committee and OSACS do not expect any of the positive things clubs contribute to the Mary Washington community to diminish at all due to this year's budget cuts.

At the other end of the budget, Giant Productions, the organization responsible for bringing in a variety of on-campus entertainment, has the highest allocation at \$125,000, which is actually \$11,510 more than Giant's budget last year.

But, that does not mean that clubs with situations similar to the Geography Club's cannot increase their budgets, according to Brooks.

"Come in and request more money" he stresses, to any club feeling slighted by the cuts.

According to Brooks, with contractual fees for clubs taken care of, the current allocations don't reflect how much money there really is to spare.

"We really want any club president to come into our meetings and request allocation increases for their organization," Brooks said.

However, Fornof says, her club "took the time to fill out all the paperwork, and go to the [Finance Committee] meetings after we got our budget, but nothing has happened."

The Finance Committee meets every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the OSACS conference room.



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News

Field Hockey Victory Against Catholic



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The women's Field Hockey team celebrates its 1 - 0 victory against Catholic University Tuesday afternoon. The only goal was scored in overtime.

Fredericksburg Open to UMW Voters

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town.

Because of the reaction to the release, including an article in the *New York Times* and involvement of the American Civil Liberties Union, the State Board took the false information off of the website. By Sept. 9, it acknowledged that not only are students legally allowed to register in their college towns without the previously stated repercussions, but also that the State Board is not trained in those areas, referring students to "appropriate advisors" for those issues.

"The City of Fredericksburg typically didn't register students living in dormitories, because dorms were considered to be temporary housing," said Juanita Pitchford, Voter Registrar/General Registrar for the City of Fredericksburg.

Pitchford said that if students live in a dorm and use a P.O. Box address, it usually indicates that they have a residence elsewhere that they consider to be their domicile. The Board doesn't consider P.O. Boxes themselves to be a legitimate residential address for voter registration, but students can register in their college town by law using their university mailing address, even though it is a P.O. Box.

Historically, students at Mary Washington have had a difficult time registering to vote in Fredericksburg. In the 2000 presidential election, several students were told by the registrar that since they lived in dormitories, they couldn't register.

In that case, the ACLU intervened, writing letters on the students' behalf. Eventually, the registrar backed down and allowed the dorm students to register.

Local student politicians said the decision about where to register should be left up to the individual student.

"The emphasis has been on allowing students to do what is best for them," said Rebekah Blackwell, senior and chairman emeritus of UMW College Republicans. "For some students, this is voting absentee through their home location, and for some, this is re-registering where they go to school."

"Take [the case of] a Republican student who is registered in Massachusetts," continued Blackwell. "Their vote will not swing the overall state vote. However, if they register in Virginia, their vote will make a greater impact." She said this is because Massachusetts voters have historically voted overwhelmingly Democratic, while Virginia still leans Republican.

Alexandra Mueller, a senior, said she has had difficulty registering to vote recently in Fredericksburg. Her father works for the State Department, so her family has lived overseas for over 10 years.

"When I went to the DMV to register, I first gave my parents' overseas P.O. Box address, then my UMW address," said Mueller. "I was told that both addresses were invalid. They recognized the UMW address I gave as a

college address, and said it was invalid."

She was told to use the last permanent address in the U.S. where they lived, which for her was in Vienna, Va. in the fourth grade.

"I spoke with both the registrar here and the registrar in Vienna, and they both recommended registering in Vienna," affirmed Mueller.

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Are students really familiar with what goes on in Fredericksburg?

—Juanita Pitchford

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She applied to register in Vienna in September 2007, and hasn't heard back from them in a year, so she assumes she is not registered. She has not renewed her efforts to register since then.

Rosalyn Cooperman, assistant professor of political science and international affairs, insisted that the best course of action for students is to register

at home and apply for an absentee ballot.

"Assuming you register to vote, students attending school who will be absent on the day of elections can automatically request and receive an absentee ballot," said Cooperman. "It counts the same as a vote from a polling place."

Cooperman recognized that for some students, like Mueller and other first-time registers, an absentee ballot is not so easy to obtain.

"The easier thing to do is to request an absentee ballot, but it's an 'either/or' situation," maintained Cooperman. "Students should probably register to vote at home, and I recommend that students request an absentee ballot."

"Students should register where their domicile or parents' home is, and then apply for an absentee ballot," affirmed Pitchford. "If students re-register here, it cancels out their registration from another state. If they're going back home after staying in the dorms, they should vote there."

Pitchford wanted students to fully comprehend their actions before they attempt to register in Fredericksburg.

"I just want to make sure students know what they're doing," she stated. "They could be more aware of voting issues in local elections at home. Are students really familiar with what goes on in Fredericksburg?"

For Mueller, who is entirely unfamiliar with the area where her parents

live, this is not an issue.

"My parents were abroad for years, but they moved to Massachusetts over the summer," said Mueller. "They are unpacking the boxes as we speak."

In light of the frustration surrounding student voter registration, student political organizations on campus have been working to inform students of their legal rights, despite the potential barriers that absentee ballots and registering at home create for some students.

"We've had students with those concerns, but it is legal for them to register with their dorm address," said Natalie Weiner, junior and president of the Young Democrats. "Once we let students know this, they are really excited about registering."

The Young Democrats have made themselves accessible by setting up tables on campus for registration, walking around campus with clipboards registering students, and obtaining permission from professors to talk to classes.

The College Republicans have encouraged their members, along with everyone else, to participate in the political process and vote as well. Like last year, they plan to participate in multiple voter registration and absentee ballot drives on campus.

"Students from across the state have also worked very hard with Virginia 21, a college student lobbying group, to allow students the right to use their dorm address to register where they go to school," said Blackwell. "This allows students a great deal of flexibility, as well as power to make a greater difference than they otherwise might have."

Obama, Biden to Speak at Ball Circle

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probably won't let me, though," Hurley said.

Both Biden and Obama are scheduled to speak at the rally on Ball Circle. After addressing the crowd, Obama plans to speak with local media.

Hurley speculates that Fredericksburg, and therefore UMW, was chosen for the rally because of its situation between the media markets of Washington D.C. and Richmond.

John Cross, visiting assistant professor of sociology, cited the growth of the more liberal-leaning Northern Va. as a factor in turning Virginia into a "battleground state."

"In a certain sense, we are a bound-

ary between Northern Va. and Southern Va.," Cross said. "[Fredericksburg] is a battleground city in a battleground state."

Whithorne said that Fredericksburg appealed to the campaign because of its centralized location and availability to the many regions of Virginia.

Cross, a volunteer for the Obama campaign, urged students of all political mindsets to attend the rally and express themselves freely and respectfully.

"This is an exciting opportunity for students on campus, not only to hear his perspectives for themselves, but to participate in the broader process," he said.

Speaking specifically about Mary Washington, Whithorne said that both the space and the students factored into

the decision to host the rally on campus.

"It gives students a chance to hear first-hand what Sen. Obama and Sen. Biden have to say," he said.

The rally also offers some students the opportunity to volunteer though campus political clubs.

According to Weiner, she and other Young Democrats will be assisting the campaign staff as volunteers.

"We're going to be a support system for the event," Weiner said, naming traffic direction as one of the jobs of the volunteers.

The University has not been asked to assist with the event in an official capacity.

"This is out of our hands unless they ask for our help," Hurley said.

Hurley, who is concerned about the availability of parking, believes the event will likely attract many more people to campus than when former President Bill Clinton appeared last spring.

"The organizers know we have limited parking," Hurley said. "My biggest concern is that, if people show up in the numbers I'm hearing about, I hope visitors will be respectful in the neighborhoods they park in."

Being on a Saturday, Hurley says the event will take place in a time when there will be the most available parking spaces. He says that employees, commuter students and students going home for the weekend will free up space.

SGA President Sean O'Brien disagreed.

"I don't think students will go home," O'Brien said. "I've already talked to students who aren't politically active and who are already very excited to go."

"I have a feeling there'll be more people at Mary Washington than I've ever seen."

Despite potential stress, students and staff alike expressed excitement about hosting a presidential candidate.

President Judy Hamble was out of town yesterday, and so was not available for comment, but Hurley said she was as excited as he was.

"First we have Bill Clinton and Barack," Hurley said. "Now we have to get McCain and Palin out here too."

Sports

Ruggers Ruck Over William and Mary



Front jumper, Mary Pilger, snages a ball from the air on a throw-in. The Women's rugby team tackled William and Mary this past Saturday with a score of 20-19.

Samantha Daniel/Bulletin

First Half Surge Earns 2-1 Win Over CNU

By NICK NELSON
Staff Writer

The Mary Washington men's soccer team had a special birthday present for goalie Emmett Rutkowski on Saturday, defeating in-state rival Christopher Newport University.

With the 2-1 victory the Eagles improved to 4-2-1 in overall season play while the loss sent Christopher Newport to a 5-2-1 record.

The entirety of the Mary Washington offense was achieved in the first fourteen minutes of play, with goals from sophomore T.L. Tutor in the 11th minute and senior Darien Ruggles during the 14th. Christopher Newport's only goal of the match came in the 71st minute of the game.

Tutor scored a header off of senior Tommy DiNuzzo's corner kick, while sophomore Preston Hirtlen earned the assist on the Ruggles goal.

Despite the low-scoring affair, coach Roy Gordon was generally pleased with his team's performance.

"Our guys were all heart out there. CNU is a very good team with great defenders, but we put our head into the game and we were all heart," Gordon said.

However, Gordon realized that tight defense and determined play were the key elements in Saturday's win.

"We worked on our counters and our combination play. CNU took over the game for a while. We panicked a little, but we hung in. We took the lead early, held onto it, and really played with heart. The team that wins isn't always the best, but the one who does things well and is effective at it."

The Eagles had just finished a three-game road trip, losing to Randolph-Macon, tying Roanoke, and reigning victorious over St. Mary's College of Maryland. The Eagles are 1-0 in Capital Athletic Conference play.

Despite what the scoreboard showed, the Captains outshot the Eagles 17-9 and had eight corner kicks to the Eagles' two. Even with the two goals, Mary Washington was still outshot 7-3 in the first half.

Junior Rutkowski had eight saves on his birthday game, while CNU had two saves.

"It was such a big win, and even better to get it on the big Twenty-One. We just really wanted to win. CNU was really dominant but we just really wanted it," Rutkowski said.

The players all realize exactly what was necessary in order to get the win in Saturday's game, even when presented with limited opportunities to put the ball in the goal.

"Bottom line, we just really finished our chances. We didn't get too many, but we finished the ones we needed to. We really used some hard work out there," DiNuzzo said. "They threw numbers at us, and they really played us hard, but our goalie had some great saves out there. On his birthday, too, man. It was awesome."

"The defense really helped me out today. We got a two-goal lead and that really helped us. CNU was really physical out there. Both teams played some really crisp soccer. We were connecting on everything and we just played a more tactical and technical game," said Rutkowski.

Their next game will be at home against North Carolina Wesleyan College on Saturday at 2 p.m.

Tennis Looks To Rebound

By JONATHAN WIGGINTON
Staff Writer

With a crowd full of family members visiting for Family Weekend, the Men's tennis team played host to the seventh annual Kickoff Classic, held at the University's Tennis Center.

Teams from George Mason University, Liberty University, Longwood University and the University of Richmond all came to Fredericksburg to take part in this year's annual event.

"This should be a good warm-up, there is good competition here," said senior Zach McGonigal.

However, Mary Wash had more trouble than expected this time around.

The matches played on Friday had to deal with, at some points, very gusty winds, something that can adversely affect a tennis ball. However, since both opponents had to play under the same conditions, no excuses were made and all matches went on as scheduled.

Friday's singles matches saw a relative split when it came to the win-loss column: Mary Wash won six out of their 13 matches, for a 6-7 singles record that day.

Senior Jason Dunn said in the midst of a lengthy back and forth match, "Looks like it's gonna be a 3-hour match." However, both players decided to play the third set in a tie-break style, which significantly shortened the overall match. Unfortunately for Dunn, he dropped the third set and the match, 1-6, 6-1, 10-6.

Of the 12 doubles matches played on Friday, the Eagles won eight of them. Dunn teamed up with fellow senior John James to win two of the eight matches.

Freshmen Andrew Frisk and Riley Baver were not to be outdone; they also contributed two team wins to the Eagles' total.

Saturday's schedule was jam-packed with tennis: almost double the number of matches from the previous day. Sadly, Saturday brought less success for the Eagles than Friday. Only winning nine singles matches out of a possible 22, it proved to be a trying day for the Eagles.

"Overall, I did not feel like we played very well. We had many opportunities to step up and get significant wins and only converted on a few of them," Coach Todd Helbling said.

However, Helbling is confident that his team will rebound and work on things that need to be tweaked.

"I am very excited about the future and our potential to continue to get better and be a very strong team this year. But this was an opportunity we let get away."

One consolation that can be brought out of this tournament was the doubles play of the two aforementioned teams: Dunn and James, as well as Frisk and Baver. These two teams ended their tournaments with a perfect 3-0 record.

Of freshmen Frisk and Baver, Helbling said, "Both played very good singles matches ... so that was encouraging."

The team's next task at hand is the ITA Division III Regional Championship. It begins October 4th, hosted here at Mary Washington for the second straight year.

Upcoming Events



Saturday:

Tennis (W): ITA Regional Tournament
8:00 a.m. at the UMW Tennis Center
Soccer (M) vs. North Carolina Wesleyan
2:00 p.m. at the Battlegrounds
Field Hockey vs. Stevenson University
1:00 p.m. at the Battlegrounds

Sunday:

Soccer (W) vs. Guilford College
1:00 p.m. at the Battlegrounds

Wednesday:

Volleyball vs. Salisbury University
1:00 p.m. at Goolrick Gym

For More Listings Check Out
www.athletics.umw.edu

Team of the Week

The UMW volleyball team shut out Gallaudet University 3-0, after losing to them in five games last year.

Freshman setter Katie Shiflett pictured



Courtesy Clint Offen

Athlete of the Week

Freshman goalkeepers Grace Rosales (right) and senior Laura McCarthy combined on a 9-0 shutout against Gallaudet.



Courtesy Clint Offen